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Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 2481.1755-00

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
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Dietrich BRANDENBURG et al. ) Group Art Unit: Unassigned  
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Serial No.: Unassigned ) Examiner: Unassigned  
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Filed: Concurrently herewith )  
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For: COVALENTLY BRIDGED INSULIN )  
DIMERS )  
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being a **Continuation** of International Application No. PCT/EP00/01530 filed February 24, 2000.

BOX PATENT APPLICATION  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Before examining this application, please amend the application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, after the title, insert a new paragraph as follows:

**-- CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**

This application is a continuation of International Application No.  
PCT/EP00/01530, filed February 24, 2000, which is incorporated by reference herein  
and claims the priority of DE 199 08 041.0 filed February 24, 1999, which is  
incorporated by reference herein.--

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